

**State of Vermont
Executive Department
A Proclamation**

WHEREAS, “Let’s Read: Empowering Today’s Readers To Be Tomorrow’s Leaders” was created as a community-based initiative that serves to inspire a passion for reading in children and encourage students to pursue higher education and achieve their personal or academic aspirations; and

WHEREAS, Let’s Read strives to increase access to literature and reading materials across the state by providing access to books and resources to students and advocating on the impact limited access to books has on students and education; and

WHEREAS, Let’s Read educates students on how to set SMART goals to help students plan out the steps in their path to reaching success and feel empowered in their ability to achieve their personal and academic aspirations; and

WHEREAS, Let’s Read helps build excitement and engagement in reading by sharing children's books that correlate to national or international holidays and showing students there is a reason to celebrate each and every day and it can be celebrated with literature; and

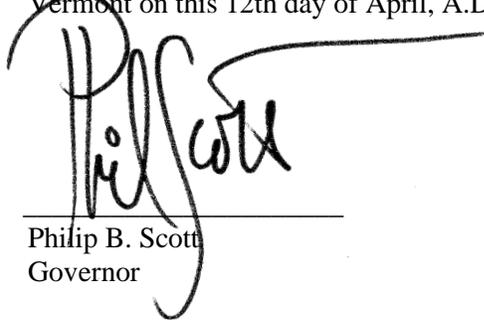
WHEREAS, Let’s Read Vermont Day will promote and advocate for the importance of reading for 20 minutes a day to establish strong literacy skills, build reading proficiency and allow Vermonters to share the joy books bring statewide.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Philip B. Scott, Governor, hereby proclaim April 12, 2023 as

LET’S READ VERMONT DAY

in Vermont.

Given under my hand and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont on this 12th day of April, A.D. 2023.



Philip B. Scott
Governor




Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs